Application No.: 10/570,130 Docket No.: 0649-1231PUS1

## **REMARKS**

The Examiner has required an election in the present application between:

Group I: Claims 1-7, drawn to a device, classified in class 257, subclass 292; and

Group II: Claims 8-20, drawn to a method, classified in class 438, subclass 48.

The Examiner has required a further restriction in the present application between:

Species I, illustrated in Fig. 1;

Species II, illustrated in Fig. 8; and

Species III, illustrated in Fig. 9.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect Group I, Species I, Claims 1-4, without traverse.

Claim 1 is generic to all Species.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Corina E. Tanasa, Registration No. L0292, at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

Attached is a Petition for Extension of Time.
Attached hereto is the fee transmittal listing the required fees.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Respectfully submitted,

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